

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q67281

Shigeru SAOTOME, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/987,402

Group Art Unit: 2623

Confirmation No.: 7038

Examiner: Ashutosh Upreti

Filed: November 14, 2001

For: METHOD OF AND SYSTEM FOR DETECTING PROSPECTIVE ABNORMAL  
SHADOW

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two month(s), extending the time for responding to the Office Action of January 10, 2006 to June 9, 2006 (June 10, 2006 being a Saturday).

A check for the statutory fee of \$450.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

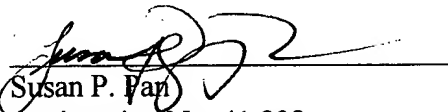
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